



Timely Tidbits ...

Graduation Issue #1

As their final days at Romulus High School draw to a close, members of the Class of 2009 (see page 3 for a complete list) have been recognized for a variety of achievements.

Check out the story at right and our Awards Night article (page 4) to learn more.

For coverage of other area high schools, watch for our June 12 issue.

TPD Releases Video of Drug Store Robber

The Taylor Police Department is releasing surveillance video of a robbery that occurred at a CVS drug store the evening of May 26, and are hoping for the public's help in identifying the backpack-carrying robber.

According to a statement released by the City, a clerk at the store (located at 26101 Eureka Road) called police after a man approached the counter and implied that he had a weapon. He propped a backpack on the counter and demanded all the \$100, \$50, and \$20 bills from the drawer. The robber then put all the cash in his backpack and left.

The suspect is described as a white or possibly Hispanic male in his 40s or 50s, about 5'10" with a medium build. He was wearing a tan Carhartt-type jacket with a gray hoodie underneath, a red baseball cap, black pants, and white shoes. The suspect was also wearing glasses with dark frames, and the backpack he was using was blue and black in color.

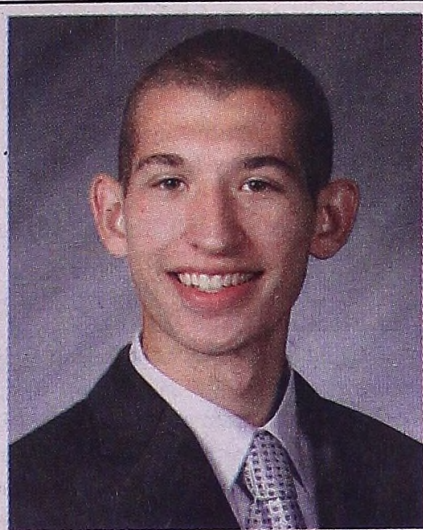
Access to the video is available by contacting Detective Don Farago (734-374-1419 or 374-1420).

Anyone with information about the suspect or the robbery is asked to call the Taylor Police Department at 734-374-1419 or 734-287-6611.

Citywide Yard Sale Weekend Rescheduled

Since rain put a damper on the annual Romulus Citywide Yard Sale earlier this month, the event has been rescheduled for the weekend of Thursday, June 4, through Sunday, June 7. For more information, contact the Department of Parks and Recreation (734-941-8665). □

Three Valedictorians Lead RHS Class of 2009



Derek Bennett (rank: first)

Romulus High School's Class of 2009 produced three co-valedictorians who maintained a four-year grade point average of 4.00 or better.

They are:

Derek Bennett

With a GPA of 4.09, Derek Bennett set the standard for academic excellence. A member of the National Honor Society, Class Council, and Student Government, he also played varsity soccer and lacrosse.

The son of Dan Bennett and Starr Dailey-Bennett will attend Kettering Uni-



David Forbush (second)

versity, where he plans to major in mechanical engineering to prepare for a career designing medical devices as a biomedical engineer.

David Forbush

Second in his class with a 4.04 GPA is David Forbush, a symphony band member whose community involvement includes participation in the Boy Scouts of America (Eagle Scout) and the Latter Day Saints Young Men's Program.

When he attends Brigham Young University, the son of Don Forbush and Faith



Melissa DuFore (third)

Sheptoski-Forbush plans to study computer engineering for a future career in that field.

Melissa DuFore

With a GPA of 4.01, Melissa DuFore ranked third in her class. Her extracurricular activities included membership in the National Honor Society and Student Government, as well as playing varsity tennis, varsity soccer, and junior varsity volleyball.

The daughter of Darrell and Janet DuFore, whose career goal is to become a nurse practitioner, will study at Wayne State University. □

"Blues" Grant Benefits "Green" Elementary School in Taylor



Students from Blair Moody Elementary School were proud to show off their new "Hoop House" (a stand-alone greenhouse) to state and local elected officials and other guests. (See story on page 2.) Photo by Kathleen Trent

Guest Commentary

Lambert Supports Youth Curfew Laws

By Mayor Alan R. Lambert, City of Romulus

Do you remember the old public service announcement that went something like this:

"It's 10 p.m. Do you know where your children are?"

As the days become longer, and young people venture out on their own for some summertime fun, it is important to remember that our curfew ordinance is still in effect.* This ordinance is specifically designed to keep our children safe.

The City's curfew ordinance for minors age 17 and under addresses the following groups: **Ages 11 and under** – shall not be in public places between the hours of 9 p.m. and 6:30 a.m. **Ages 12 to 15** – shall not be in public places between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. **Ages 16 to 17** – shall not be in public places between the hours of 11 p.m. and 6 a.m.

Public places, as described in the ordinance, are "any public street, school, playground, vacant land, park, theater, bowling alley, restaurant, pool or billiard room, store, or other place of public gathering."

The purpose for this ordinance is two-fold. First and foremost, this law keeps our children safe by keeping them off the streets and out of public places where they may be

victimimized. President Bill Clinton said, "Curfews help keep our children out of harm's way. They give parents a tool to impart discipline, respect, and rules at an awkward and difficult time in children's lives."

The second purpose for curfews is to reduce crime, thereby making our streets and community safer. Research has shown that juvenile crime is reduced by as much as 10% the first year such ordinances are enacted and enforced. The positive effects also increase in subsequent years, especially in the area of reducing violent crimes.

As your Mayor, I strongly believe in protecting our children. Our curfew ordinance exists to protect our children and keep them safe during the hours when they are most susceptible to being victimized and/or participating in crime. Let's all do our best in working together to keep our young people safe. We can prevent crime by making sure our children obey the curfew laws. Thank you for your support in this endeavor.

**Curfew laws do not apply to minors accompanied by a parent or guardian, or to minors doing legitimate business or errands as long as they have a note, signed by a parent or guardian, that specifically identifies the business or errand. □*

Community Calendar

Romulus

Church Hosts Garage Sale Fund-raiser

Living Rock Church (3320 Ecorse Road) will host a huge garage sale fund-raiser Thursday, May 28, through Saturday, May 30, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. A wide variety of items offered will include: adult and children's clothes, bicycles, cookware, wheelchairs, and much more.

For information, call 734-383-2264.

Summer Storytime at the Library

Children ages three to five are invited to take part in the Summer Storytime program at the Romulus Public Library (11121 Wayne Road). Parents may choose between Tuesday evening (June 16 through July 21, 6:30 p.m.) or Wednesday morning (June 17 through July 22, 10:30 a.m.) sessions.

Although the program is free, space is limited, so advance registration is required.

For information, call 734-942-7589.

"Hot Rods, Hogs, and Dogs"

Hot Rods, Hogs, and Dogs – held at Juliann's Coney Island (30763 Eureka Road, in the Metro Landing Plaza) each Monday from 4 to 8 p.m. – is sure to become a favorite summer event for people who like one or more of the titled offerings. Highlights will also include DJ music, door prizes, and 50/50 raffles.

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To place information in our next issue's Community Calendar, mail it to "the little paper" at P.O. Box 74038, Romulus, MI 48174-0038; FAX it to 734-992-2052; or e-mail it to thelittlepaper@comcast.net no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, June 5.

Belleville

Rummage Sale at St. Anthony

St. Anthony Church (409 West Columbia) will host a rummage sale on Friday, May 29, and Saturday, May 30, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For information, call 734-697-1211.

New Boston

Event Promotes Child Safety

A Child Safety Day to be held at New Boston State Farm (37243 Huron River Drive) from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 6, will feature free child safety seat inspections and free replacements for improper seats. (Child must be present so he/she can be weighed and measured.) Other highlights will include free bike helmets, fingerprinting, free "bouncers" and face painting, a Stranger Danger presentation, and exhibits by the Huron Township Fire Department.

For information, call Johan Sutton at 734-753-3447.

New "Hoop House" Opens at Taylor's Blair Moody Elementary School

Officials from the City of Taylor and Taylor Board of Education gathered recently with students from Blair Moody Elementary School for the official dedication of the new "Hoop House" installed at the school.

The Hoop House, a stand-alone greenhouse, will be used to teach the school's 370 students, their parents, and the community about the importance of growing and purchasing local food products. School officials plan to use food grown in the Hoop House in the school cafeteria.

Moody was awarded a Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan "Building Healthy Communities" grant in December to fund the building of Hoop House. "Blues" grants are intended to help people – particularly children – improve their health through physical activity and nutrition. Schools use the grants to purchase exercise equipment, build playgrounds, and develop programs to help students make healthier food choices.

The planning and construction of the Moody Hoop House has been a community-based event. Those involved include parents and organizations such as the Taylor Garden Club, the City of Taylor, and Michigan State University.

The Hoop House will provide an environment for organic gardening and farming. Seedling planting began February 11.

Construction of Hoop House began on March 28. The structure – adjacent to a butterfly garden – is 30 by 48 feet.

The Taylor Hills Compost Facility, operated by the City, provided more than 25 yards of compost for the new structure. Marsh Greenhouses in Rockwood provided planting consultation sessions.

Each Moody student painted a cement paver for the Hoop House floor. Home Depot donated the pavers.

Herbs grown in the Hoop House will be sold to local restaurants. Students will be given vegetable plants grown in Hoop House to place in their home gardens.

In all, 36 schools throughout Michigan have received Building Healthy Communities grants ranging from \$1,000 to \$15,000, totaling approximately \$333,400. Grants were awarded to schools statewide, with preference for those with higher student participation rates in free and reduced-cost lunch programs, along with a population historically at risk for obesity. Since 2004, the Blues have provided nearly \$1 million in BHC grants to address childhood obesity among more than 113,000 school children throughout the state.

For information about Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and its services, visit bcbsm.com. □

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RHS Class of 2009

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Awards Night Honors Best and Brightest of RHS Class of 2009



Travis Dockery
(fourth)



Michael Lammers
(fifth)



DeShawna Hill
(sixth)



Samantha Watson
(seventh)



Gary Nemeth
(eighth)



Derek Kinney
(ninth)



Adam Thornsbury
(tenth)

Romulus High School's annual Senior Awards Night program, held on May 13, recognized Class of 2009 members with outstanding achievements in academics, vocational subjects, music, and athletics, along with recipients of various college, government, civic, and private scholarships and grants.

Among the honorees were the 10 students who maintained the highest grade point average during their four-year high-school careers: co-valedictorians Derek Bennett, David Forbush, and Melissa DuFore, as well as Travis Dockery, Michael Lammers, DeShawna Hill, Samantha Watson, Gary Nemeth, Derek Kinney, and Adam Thornsbury. (See photos above and on page 1.)

Award recipients included:

Academic Honors Awards

Note: These students, listed in order of their academic standing, maintained a four-year grade point average of 3.00 or higher.

- Derek Bennett (4.09)*
- David Forbush (4.04)*
- Melissa DuFore (4.01)*
- Travis Dockery (3.99)*
- Michael Lammers (3.97)*
- DeShawna Hill (3.88)*
- Samantha Watson (3.88)*
- Gary Nemeth (3.82)*
- Derek Kinney (3.81)*
- Adam Thornsbury (3.80)*
- Ashlee Hood (3.79)*
- Narjis Sheikh (3.78)*
- Arianna Diebel (3.78)*
- Jessica Sylvester (3.77)*

- Lachelle Devoe (3.75)*
- Nicholas Curry (3.73)*
- Lauren Hidenfelter (3.72)*
- Kathryn Forth (3.71)*
- Samantha Bankey (3.69)*
- Nancy Odofin (3.68)*
- Brittany Frazier (3.67)*
- Nikki Odofin (3.65)*
- Randall Norfleet (3.62)*
- Cody Barnes (3.60)*
- James McGlynn (3.56)*
- Mary Watts (3.56)*
- Christine Amis (3.51)*
- Katie Koester (3.51)*
- Amanda Zavitz (3.48)
- James White (3.47)
- Meriah Chapman (3.45)
- Filmore Bouldes (3.43)
- Kaela Torres (3.39)
- Skyler Crockett (3.39)
- Brianna Grover (3.37)
- Byron Paisley (3.37)
- Brandyn Martin (3.36)
- Candace Poet (3.36)
- Jasmine Abney (3.34)
- Faith Adkins (3.34)
- Joshua Adamowicz (3.34)
- Desi'Ray Ellison (3.33)
- Brittany Turner (3.32)
- Latrice Parnell (3.30)
- Stephen Williams (3.28)
- Gary Hemmingway (3.27)
- Mariah Zockheem (3.27)
- Levi Adams (3.25)
- Bryana Love (3.25)
- Demetrius Price (3.24)

- La'Tonya Warlix (3.24)
- Sarah Godfrey (3.23)
- Chelsea Hay (3.22)
- Rashae Pree (3.22)
- Joshua Hill-Barnes (3.22)
- DiChelle Freeman (3.20)
- Krystal Burrell (3.18)
- Timothy Dalton (3.15)
- Rodney Cofield (3.10)
- Holly Schonscheck (3.10)
- Kyla Barker (3.08)
- Brittany Rodgers (3.08)
- Patrick Thompson (3.07)
- Sarah James (3.07)
- Cheyenne Oakley (3.07)
- Marcell Grant (3.07)
- Christina Ottenbreit (3.06)
- Cherrelle Watson (3.06)
- Sharonda Vesey (3.05)
- Tamica Mosley (3.04)
- Matthew Franklin (3.03)

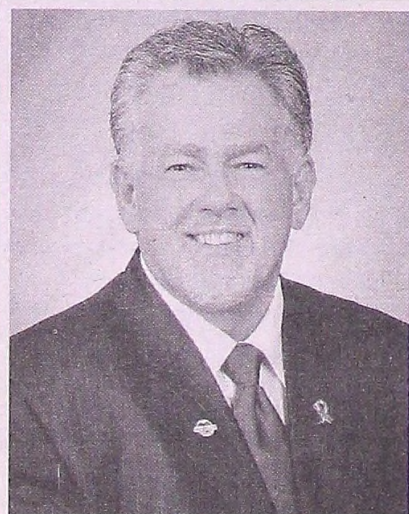
**winner of the Presidential Award for Educational Excellence (GPA of 3.50 or above)*

Departmental Awards

- Faith Adkins (French; Spanish)
- Cody Barnes (physics)
- Derek Bennett (biology; computer-aided design; French)
- Dylan Boyd (automotive tech)
- Krystal Burrell (band)
- Cassandra Chapman (art)
- Meriah Chapman (hospitality & food service)
- Cassandra Clay (accounting)
- Lachelle Devoe (chemistry; math)

- Arianna Diebel (band; English)
- Melissa DuFore (band)
- David Forbush (calculus)
- Kathryn Forth (co-op)
- Kyra Frierson (dance/drama)
- Shalonda Frye (business)
- Travis Griffin (physical education – male)
- Megan Hammonds (band)
- Gary Hemmingway (hospitality & food service)
- Tanesha Hill-Harris (band)
- Ira Lindsey (co-op)
- Vera Neci (health occupations)
- Gary Nemeth (band)
- Randall Norfleet (band – director's award; social studies)
- Byron Paisley (life management; yearbook)
- Rashae Pree (math)
- Amanda Roehrich (band)
- Juanita Rose (marketing)
- Cicely Shaw (journalism)
- Jeremy Streeter (band – Louis Armstrong jazz award)
- Jessica Sylvester (math)
- Patrick Thompson (band – John Philip Sousa award)
- Kaela Torres (art)
- Samantha Watson (math)
- Mary Watts (physical education – female)
- James White (math)
- Stephen Williams (math)
- Jeremy Woods (dance/drama)

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Knowledge is power, and an education is the best tool you can have for achieving your dreams.

Congratulations to all our 2009 graduates and their families.

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TPD's Crowell Promoted to Commander

Daniel Crowell, a 21-year veteran of the Taylor Police Department, was promoted to commander by Taylor Mayor Cameron G. Priebe on May 11. The promotion was officially recognized during the May 19 meeting of the City Council.

In his new role, Commander Crowell will be responsible for patrol services, overseeing uniform patrol on all three shifts. One of two commanders in the Police Department, he reports directly to Chief Dale Tamsen.

"Police departments are dynamic agencies," said Mayor Priebe, a former police officer. "In order to maximize performance, they need committed, flexible managers who are able to coach and willing to discipline so the officers do their jobs well. Commander Crowell has a track record of strong leadership and skillful management."

Chief Tamsen called Crowell the right person for the job.

"Dan is an intelligent guy," Tamsen said. "He starts a project and sees it through to the end. As the lieutenant in charge of the Detective Bureau, he's overseen some big investigations and has done an outstanding job. I would expect the hard work, dedication, and expertise running the Detective Bureau will follow him to his new duty in charge of the road patrol."

Crowell, a Taylor resident, is excited about being promoted and taking on new responsibilities within the department.

"I was born and raised in this city, and I have a lot of pride in this police department," Crowell said. "This is a great police department to work for, and I appreciate Mayor Priebe and Chief Tamsen for putting faith in me to do the job. It's also nice to be recognized in front of the City Council and be able to share it with your family and friends."

Crowell earned a bachelor's degree from Eastern Michigan University and also



Commander Daniel Crowell

is a graduate of the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command — a prestigious executive police school.

Hired by the Taylor Police Department as a patrolman in 1988, Crowell served as corporal for six years, sergeant for two years, and lieutenant for seven years. As sergeant, he worked in the patrol division and then in the administrative division, where he handled budgeting, training, recruiting, and hiring. As lieutenant, he was in charge of one of the busiest detective bureaus in Metro Detroit.

In 1990, Crowell was selected by the Michigan State Police to work undercover in a Downriver narcotics task force for two years. Later, he worked as a detective in the Crime Prevention Unit and Detective Bureau. He also worked as a negotiator for the Downriver Crisis Negotiator Team and currently leads the team as its commander.

Ribbon-cutting Marks Museum Opening



The City of Taylor's annual Veterans Memorial Ceremony, held May 16, included a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new American Warriors Museum inside City Hall. Holding the ends were Army National Guardsmen; other participants included (from left) World War II hero James "Fearless" Flanagan of Allen Park, Debbie Dingell, Councilman and museum founder Butch Ramik, Brigadier General Michael Nevin of the Michigan Army National Guard, Korean War Medal of Honor recipient Michael Simanek, Congressman John Dingell, Mayor Cameron G. Priebe, and Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano. Photo by Dave Gorgon

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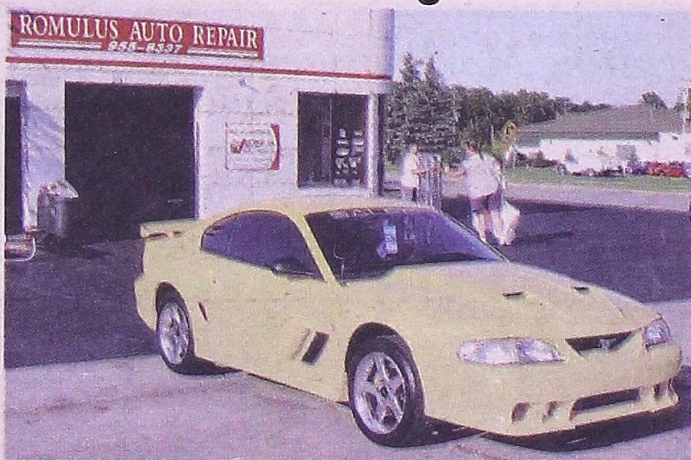
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Want to go fishing at Coan Lake in Taylor's Heritage Park? Now you can check out a rod-n-reel at the Taylor Community Library. Ten rod-n-reel combos and tackle boxes will be available at the library through the summer months thanks to an extension of the educational efforts provided by the Community Education Program at Wayne County Community College District, the City of Taylor Department of Golf, Parks and Recreation, and Gander Mountain.

The fishing equipment can be checked out with a library card for a five-day loan.

The equipment will be maintained by WCCCD and its partners. The tackle boxes

will be equipped with the basic necessities to maximize the possibility of beginning anglers catching fish.

The goal of the program is to ensure that families who want to try fishing have the equipment to do so, according to Dennis O'Connell, a technician with the Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education at the Downriver Campus of WCCCD in Taylor.

Taylor's Library (12303 Pardee Road) is open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Call 734-287-4840 for information. □

Community Cleanup Draws All Ages



(From left) Romulus Mayor Alan R. Lambert thanked Emily Sands, Jessica Reynolds, and Kaitlin Price for being among the dozens of volunteers who took part in "Clean Sweep" on May 16. The girls held a sleepover the night before so they could go to the annual cleanup and beautification event together bright and early the next morning. Photo by R. E. Kadau

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- Samuel Wells
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Local Scholarships/Awards

- Cody Barnes (Skyler P. Crockett Senior Achievement – \$500)
- Derek Bennett (Delta Sigma Theta sorority – \$350; Ed Horn Memorial – \$500; Romulus Boosters Club – \$500; Romulus Rotary/academic – \$1,000; WXYZ-TV/Channel 7 "Brightest and Best")
- Faraje Bragg (Lorena Burton Memorial – \$18,000/4 years)
- Brad Burcroff (Romulus Arts Council – \$1,000)
- Krystal Burrell (Romulus Arts Council – \$1,000)
- Tina Carter (Romulus Mayor's Drug Task Force/vocational – \$500)
- Quindai Christopher (Special Tree – \$1,000)
- Rodney Cofield (Ray Kroc Memorial – \$500)
- Skyler Crockett (Delta Sigma Theta sorority – \$650)
- Lachelle Devoe (Romulus Rotary/academic – \$1,000)
- Travis Dockery (Skyler P. Crockett Senior Achievement – \$500)
- Melissa DuFore (Flora Dozier Memorial – \$500; Romulus Association of School Administrators – \$750; Romulus Boosters Club – \$250; Romulus Mayor's Drug Task Force/academic – \$1,000; Romulus Rotary/academic – \$1,000; Special Tree – \$1,000)
- David Forbush (Romulus Association of School Administrators – \$750)
- Brittany Frazier (Romulus Education Association – \$500)
- Shalonda Frye (Inkster Ministerial Alliance – \$500)
- Katrina Gibson (Romulus Rotary/vocational – \$500)
- Brianna Grover (Romulus Boosters Club – \$250; Skyler P. Crockett Senior Achievement – \$500)
- Gary Hemmingway (Aaron Tigner Memorial – \$1,000; Romulus Boosters Club – \$250)
- Derek Kinney (Delta Sigma Theta sorority – \$375)
- Hailey Mangrum (Romulus Mayor's Drug Task Force/academic – \$1,000)
- Cheyenne Oakley (Romulus Boosters Club – \$500)
- Nancy Odofoin (Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority – \$1,000; Delta Sigma Theta sorority – \$750; Romulus Rotary/academic – \$1,000)
- Nikki Odofoin (Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority – \$1,000; Delta Sigma Theta sorority – \$750; Romulus Rotary/academic – \$1,000)
- Candace Poet (Oakwood Hospital – \$1,000)
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- Dion Shepherd (Romulus Boosters Club – \$250; Romulus Mayor's Drug Task Force/vocational – \$500; Romulus Rotary/vocational – \$500)
- Derek Styron (Mikey Markus Memorial – \$500)
- Jessica Sylvester (Flora Dozier Memorial – \$500; Romulus Education Association – \$500)
- Andreus Tatum (Romulus Rotary/vocational – \$500)
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Obituaries

Jeanette S. "Jan" Carter

Jeanette S. Carter of Romulus, Michigan, passed away on May 16, 2009, at the age of 71.

Jan, as she was fondly known, was born on September 9, 1937.

An avid gameswoman, Jan enjoyed golfing, bowling, snowmobiling, ice skating, shooting trap (for which she won first place), and playing computer games, cards, and Scrabble. She was also a member of the Ladies Literary Club of Romulus.

Jan is survived by her husband, Raymond Carter; a daughter, Susan DeSana (Trenton, MI); 2 sons, Kenneth (Stephanie) Carter (Brighton, MI) and Gregg (Pam) Carter (New Boston, MI); 7 grandchildren;

her mother, Leona (Prill) Treder (New Boston); her mother-in-law, Esther G. (Kruger) Carter (Wayne, MI); a sister, Sharon Treder (New Boston); and 2 brothers, Don (Mary Lee) Treder (Plymouth, MI) and Tom (Nancy) Treder (Belleville, MI).

Among those who preceded her in passing were her father, Anthony J. Treder, and her father-in-law, Noble H. Carter.

A funeral service was held on Tuesday, May 19, at St. Stephen Catholic Church (New Boston), with Father John Hedges officiating. Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park (Flat Rock). Memorial contributions to the American Red Cross would be greatly appreciated by the family.

Medo D. Weaver

Medo D. Weaver of Wayne, Michigan, passed away on May 22, 2009, at the age of 88.

The native of Elkins, West Virginia, was born on October 24, 1920.

Medo was an excellent cook who enjoyed gardening and canning the fruits of her labors. She also loved bingo, crossword puzzles, shopping, quilting, and sewing.

Surviving Medo are 2 daughters, Carrol (Don) Morgan (Monroe, MI) and Delores (James) Raub (Wayne); 2 sons, Gerald (Ann) Schneider (Manito, IL) and

Kenneth (Bonita) Murdock (Montpelier, OH); 10 grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren.

Among those who predeceased her were her parents, Clarence and Ruth (Jones) Kelley, and 2 husbands, Gerald A. Schneider (1965) and Ralph C. Weaver (1993).

A funeral service was held at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI), with Reverend William Kren (The Evangelical Church) officiating. Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park (Flat Rock). Memorial contributions may be directed to the family for later designation. □

Community Calendar

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All proceeds from the weekly events will benefit the Friends of the New Romulus Animal Shelter Fund.

For information, call 734-942-7965.

Taylor

Women's Golf Tournament

Late registration for the 2009 Women's Golf Tournament at Taylor Meadows Golf Club (25360 Ecorse Road) is still being accepted. The two-player scramble event is set for Sunday, June 14. Check-in and registration will begin at 7 a.m.; tee-offs at 8 a.m. A fee of \$140 per team covers 18 holes of golf with a partner of your choice, use of a power cart, coffee and danish at registration, a snack lunch at the turn, and a complete awards dinner with cocktails, dessert, contests, and prizes.

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Family passes are \$65 for Taylor residents, \$85 for nonresidents. A family pass includes two adults and two children under 18. It's \$20 per each additional child. Individual passes for swimmers 18 and up are \$40 for residents, \$50 for nonresidents. Guppy passes for swimmers 12 to 17 are \$35 for residents and \$45 for non-residents.

Registration is also under way for summer water aerobics. Sessions will run each Monday and Wednesday from 6 to 7 p.m. and 7 to 8 p.m. from June 15 through August 5. Admission is \$48 for the eight-week session or \$7 per drop-in class.

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Dinners Aid Junior World Series

Weekly all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinners will raise money for the Junior League World Series of baseball. The Perfect Pitcher Sports Club (12900 Beech Daly, just north of Northline Road) is holding the \$5 dinners on Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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Tigers Trips

The Romulus Senior Center will be traveling to Comerica Park to see the Detroit Tigers take on the Boston Red Sox on Thursday, June 4, and the Seattle Mariners on Thursday, July 23. The bus will depart from the Center at 11 a.m. for both events.

Cost is \$16 for the Sox game; \$15 for the Mariners. Advance registration is required. Seating is limited.

Wayne County Senior Fun Fest

Wayne County's annual Senior Fun Fest will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 27 – *rain or shine* – at the Warrendale picnic site in Hines Park (Dearborn Heights). Highlights will include bingo, "Wheel of Fortune," entertainment, demonstrations, and, of course, food.

Those who would like to attend may drive themselves, or ride the Romulus Senior Center bus. (Note: Space is limited.)

Call the Center for free tickets.

Flag Day Celebration

The Romulus Senior Center and the Romulus Tower apartment building will hold a flag-raising ceremony at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 11. Veterans and civilians of all ages are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

Craft Show

The Romulus Senior Center's next craft sale will be held on Thursday, June 11, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Table rentals are just \$5. Advance sign-up is required.

Everyone is welcome.

Crochet Class Plans Special Project

Crocheters of all skill levels are invited to take part in the Senior Center's free classes, held each Wednesday at 11 a.m. The group will be starting a "community blanket" soon, and would welcome new faces to work on the project.

Other Upcoming Events

Call for more information about these upcoming events, some of which require advance registration and/or payment:

- "Deal or No Deal" (Tuesday, June 9, 10 a.m.),

- Wii Bowling Challenge (Tuesday, June 16, 11 a.m.),
- Latin Dance Class (Tuesday, June 23, 3 p.m.),
- Painting Classes (Fridays, June 5 and 19, 11 a.m.),
- Jewelry-making Class (Wednesday, June 17, 5 p.m.),
- Card-making Class (Friday, June 19, TBA), and
- Movie Day (Thursday, June 18, 12:30 p.m.).

Regular Programs

Free or low-cost weekly programs offered by the Romulus Senior Center include:

- ceramics classes (Mondays, 12 p.m.),
- bingo (Mondays/Wednesdays, 1 p.m.),
- bunco (Tuesdays, 1 p.m.),
- crochet classes (Wednesdays, 11 a.m.),
- fun night (Wednesdays, 5 p.m.),
- game day (Thursdays, 1 p.m.),
- quilting (Thursdays, 6 p.m.), and
- walking club (Fridays, 11 a.m., at the Romulus Athletic Center).

Ask the Attorney

Local attorney Steve Robinson's monthly "Ask the Attorney" program – a free consultation service for Romulus senior citizens – has been scheduled for 3 to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, June 23, at the Center.

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Strawberry Festival

Enjoy music by Solitaire and refreshments (strawberry shortcake!) at the Ford Senior Center's Strawberry Festival, set for Wednesday, June 17, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Tickets are \$7 each. Register by Wednesday, June 10.

Spelling Bee for Seniors

Wayne County will host a spelling bee for senior citizens at the Ford Senior Center on Thursday, June 4, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event will also feature prizes, lunch, and raffles.

Although there is no cost for participants or their supporters, advance sign-up is required because space is limited.

Greektown Casino

If you love to gamble, but hate the hassles of traffic and parking, this trip to Greektown Casino is for you! A chartered bus will depart from the Ford Senior Center at 9 a.m. on Thursday, June 18, and return at approximately 4 p.m.

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Dial M for Murder

The Senior Center is planning a trip to Davidson Middle School to see the Southgate Community Players' production of *Dial M for Murder*. The bus will depart at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 11, and return at approximately 10 p.m.

Cost is \$10 plus dinner at The Garden Café. Advance registration is required.

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Romulus Elementary	32200 Beverly Road	734-532-1453
Wick Elementary	36900 Wick Road	734-532-1503
Romulus Middle School	37300 Wick Road	734-532-1703
Romulus Board Office	36540 Grant Road	734-532-1600

Eligibility:

Students must reside in Wayne County.

The District will not accept any student who has been suspended or expelled from school within the last two years.

Enrollment process:

Enrollment forms may be obtained **now** at any of the buildings listed above.

Beginning June 1, 2009 through June 19, 2009:

Parent/legal guardian must be present at time of enrollment with the following:

Child's birth certificate

Child's immunization records

Proof of custody (if parent's name is not listed on child's birth certificate)

For questions, please call 734-532-1600

